

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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Applicant: Applied Food Sciences, Inc.

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For: HIGH YIELD PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
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Examiner: C. R. Tate

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 14, 2008, for which a response was due February 14, 2009. Applicants include with this response a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for three months to extend the deadline to file this response to May 14, 2009. This Amendment is timely filed May 14, 2009. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.